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Zawadi is Swahili for gifts given to children at the end of Kwanzaa. Children are our gifts.

Oaklawn minority program plans open house Oct. 14

The Oaklawn School of Mathematics, Science and Technology's Minority Achievement Program open house is set Oct. 14, with author Ronald Harrill on the program.

Harrill is author of "Makeeda, Queen of Sheba," which will be available at \$15.

Also on the open house program are the dance group S.O.A.R. and Nay Howell, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg

Schools minority achievement director.

The open house will be from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

There are 38 minority achievement students in grades 3-5 at Oaklawn. The program includes any African American, Native American, Asian or Hispanic student achieving above grade level.

Among contributors to the Oaklawn open house is Anntony's Caribbean Restaurant.

Test taking tips

- Read all questions on the test. Answer the questions you know best and save the hardest question for last. Use a pencil to number the order in which you plan to answer the questions.

- Begin with the first question you plan to answer and underline keywords which give you clues as to how to

answer it. Words like 'explain,' 'define,' 'compare,' 'contrast,' 'list,' 'describe' and 'give the reason' are hints to what you are to do.

- Quickly outline the answer you're going to write.

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The camera can draw a number of expressions from children. Pictured above, from left to right, during an outing at the park, are Adhonica Patterson, 2, Mercedes Truesdale, 6, Janet Brown, 4, and Alexis Worthy, 1. Post photographer Sue Ann Johnson captured them during a neighborhood festival sponsored by the Family Outreach and Counseling Center at Revolution Park.

What's In/ Guys

What's In
baggy jeans
wideleg jeans
Tommy
Nautica
Old Navy
Union Bay
Ralph Lauren
Mecca
Fubu

Shoes
Timberlands
Lugz
Nike
Adidas
Filas
Reebok

What's Out
Cross colors
Duckhead
box hair cuts
rat-tails
tight jeans

Shoes
K-Swiss
jeepers

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What's In/Girls

What's In
short shorts
jean jumpers
Old Navy
Tommy Girl
plaid shirts
checkered shirts
tennis shirts
wide leg jeans
bell bottomed jeans
corduroy jumpers
fringed jeans
Union Bay
jean dresses
hip huggers
camouflage print
Nautica
Ralph Lauren

Shoes
Fila
Reebok Classics
Nike
platform shoes
Adidas

What's Out
high water pants
below-the-knee skirts
Jheri curls
tight jeans
faded jeans
sweaters

Shoes
K-swiss
Jeepers

Study skills

- Good organization will help you complete your homework. Use your study hall at school for studying, and plan a block of time each evening at home to complete your assignments.

- Start by studying the hardest subject first, since it requires the most time. Move to the next hardest and so forth. This way homework is easier.

- Arrange more time for the subjects which need improvement.

- During the time you plan to study avoid temptations to call your friends, watch television or do anything else except study.

- Decide what you want to cover during your study

period and reward yourself when you meet your objective.

- Don't get off the subject, but take a short break from studying each hour.

- Study together and quiz each other on facts, formulas or vocabulary.

- Remember nobody can learn the information for you.

- Try to study with someone who knows the subject better. They will challenge you and make you work harder and learn more.

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Lists

Top Ten Music List

Scott Floue and Adam Newton
Cochrane Middle School

1. Bone Thugs N' Harmony, "If I Could Teach The World."
2. Master P, "Bout it! Bout it!"
3. Snoop Doggy Dog, "Dogfather"
4. Wu Tang Clan, "Triumph"
5. Notorious B.I.G., "Hynoptize"
6. Puff Daddy, "Is This The End"
7. Lil Kim, "Not Tonight"
8. Tupac Skakur, "Hail, Mary"
9. Dru Hill, "Never Make A Promise"
10. Ginuwine, "When Dove's Cry"

Top Ten Singles

Vanary Savann
Cochrane Middle School

1. Something for the People, "My Love is the Shhh'h"
2. Bone Thugs N' Harmony, "Thug Love"
3. Wu-Tang Clan, "Triumph"
4. Mariah Carey with Puff Daddy and Mace, "Honey" (Re-mix)
5. Aaliyah, "Hot Like Fire"
6. Mary J. Blige, "Everything"
7. Magoo with Timbaland, "Up Jumps the Boogy"
8. Lil' Kim, "Not Tonight"
9. Puff Daddy and the Family with Lil' Kim, "It's All About the Benjamins"
10. Ginuwine, "I'll Do Anything / I'm Sorry"

Family Outreach



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Members of Motown 2000 cast pose with Dona Patterson, executive director of the Family Outreach and Counseling Center, at program's neighborhood festival last month in Revolution Park.

The Charlotte Post staff is proud to present the students of Cochrane Middle School's communication arts classes as they help to produce The Post's Zawadi page each month.